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IOWA CONFERENCE ROLL, 1870-71.

[For P. O. Address, see List of Appointments, and questions 7 and 8 of Disciplinary Questions.]

Absentees at Conference are marked in *italics*.

<p>Allender Richard B. Ashbaugh Levi S. Bamford George W. Barton James G. 5 Blakeney James N. Bradrick Isaiah A. Briggs Elias L. Brooks Strange. Brown John C. 10 Burgess John. Busby Isaac N. Byrkit George W. Carrier Marcus. Clark Charles B. 15 Clarke George H. Coats James M. Coddington Eli H. Coleman James T. Corkhill Thomas E. 20 Cowles William F. Craig Jessie. Dixon Thomas. Donaldson David. Elrod John. 25 Elliott John N. Evans Francis W. Ferguson John S. Friend G. W. Gassner Joseph 30 Hardy Joshua B. Harris John. Hayden John. Haynes James. Haynes John. 35 Hestwood Samuel. Hill John B. Holland Benjamin.</p>	<p><i>Holloway Young J.</i> Honn Wm. H. 40 Holtzinger Peter F. Hopkins James H. Jennis Chesley S. Johnson Allen W. Kemble Ira O. 45 Kenyon Randall J. <i>Kirkpatrick Thomas M.</i> <i>Latham James W.</i> Laubach Abraham Lee Jasper B. 50 Leonard Parley J. <i>Light Oliver P.</i> <i>Lucas James H.</i> McClintock Alfred. <i>McCutchen, James H.</i> 55 McDonald J. Wilber. McDowell Joseph Mann James M. Mark Banner. <i>Maxon Joseph W.</i> 60 <i>Miller Adam.</i> <i>Miller Multiades.</i> Miller William I. Milnes Charles G. Morey Cyrus. 65 Morrison Andrew B. Morrison Arthur P. Murphy Dennis. Murphy Samuel S. Orr Abner. 70 Orr John. Pike Elias J. Poston William. Power George N. Power John H.</p>	<p>75 Prather Amos S. Rankin James S. Reineck William. Reynolds C. Perry. Robinson Anthony. 80 Robinson Richard S. Rowley Loveland T. <i>Runyan Harrison.</i> Schreiner Edwin L. See Michael. 85 Shaw, Charles W. Shepherd Charles W. Shelton Orville C. Shippen William C. Simmons John T. 90 Smith David C. Smith Wm. H. H. Smith Uriah B. Spanlading Wesley J. Stephenson Thomas 95 <i>Stryker Almond W.</i> Teter Isaac P. Thatcher William. Thomas Samuel H. Thompson James G. 100 Thorn William G. Twining Edward W. Waring Edmund H. Wells Nelson. Wheeler John. 105 <i>White James H.</i> Wilson James A. Winans Ephraim H. <i>Woodford Lucas C.</i> 109 Wright Benjamin A.</p>
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

OF THE

IOWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE,

HELD AT

ALBIA, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 28TH TO OCTOBER 3D, 1870.

I.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

REV. BISHOP EDWARD R. AMES, D. D.....PRESIDENT.

P. O. Address, Baltimore, Md.

REV. EDMUND H. WARING,.....SECRETARY.

P. O. Address, Fairfield, Iowa.

REV. GEORGE N. POWER, }
REV. IRA O. KIMBLE, }
REV. C. W. SHAW, }ASSISTANT SECRETARIES.

REV. JAMES HAYNES,.....}
REV. E. L. SCHREINER,.....}STATISTICAL SECRETARIES.

REV. J. B. HILL,.....RECORDING SECRETARY.

REV. W. F. COWLES, }
REV. T. E. CORKHILL, }
REV. G. W. BYRKIT, }
REV. DENNIS MURPHY, }
REV. A. S. PRATHER, }CONFERENCE STEWARDS.

II.

OFFICERS OF CONFERENCE SOCIETIES FOR 1870-71.

IOWA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

(See Missionary Report.)

IOWA CONFERENCE S. S. UNION.

Rev. R. S. Robinson, President; Rev. John Hayden, Vice President; Rev. E. L. Schreiner, Secretary; Rev. C. Morey, Treasurer.-

MANAGERS—George W. Byrkit, A. W. Stryker, A. P. Morrison, D. C. Smith, J. M. Mann.

SPEAKERS—C. S. Jennis, Dennis Murphy, J. W. McDonald.

IOWA CONFERENCE CHURCH-EXTENSION SOCIETY.

Rev. W. F. Cowles, President; Rev. L. T. Rowley, Vice President; Rev. I. P. Teter, Corresponding Secretary; Rev. John Haynes, Recording Secretary; E. L. Penn, Treasurer.

MANAGERS—Rev. J. H. White, T. Whiting, W. J. Parker, J. H. Hampton, H. Fuller.

III.

SERMONS AT NEXT CONFERENCE.

Conference Sermon—Rev. W. Reineck. Missionary Sermon—Rev. J. C. Brown. Alternate—Rev. G. N. Power.

IV.

COMMITTEES FOR 1871.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

TO EXAMINE CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL—A. P. Morrison, T. Stephenson, A. Orr.

FIRST YEAR—J. B. Hardy, J. M. Mann, G. W. Bamford.

SECOND YEAR—W. F. Cowles, C. B. Clark, J. Gassner.

THIRD YEAR—W. J. Spaulding, O. C. Shelton, M. Miller.

FOURTH YEAR—John Haynes, J. C. Brown, J. Burgess.

LOCAL DEACONS—James Haynes, E. W. Twining, O. P. Light.

LOCAL ELDERS—J. Harris, L. T. Rowley, J. Craig.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1871.

CHURCH—EXTENSION—W. Thatcher, A. Robinson, J. Gassner, D. Donaldson, B. Mark, J. M. Mann, D. C. Smith.

EDUCATION—G. N. Power, J. C. Brown, O. P. Light, John Haynes, J. W. McDonald, C. S. Jennis, J. B. Hardy.

MEMOIRS—C. W. Shaw, W. C. Shippen, J. T. Coleman.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—E. L. Briggs, G. W. Bamford, N. Wells, R. S. Robinson, J. Craig, T. M. Kirkpatrick, C. B. Clark.

STATISTICS—G. W. Byrkit, S. S. Murphy, D. Murphy, J. G. Barton, U. B. Smith, C. W. Shepherd, I. O. Kemble.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—J. A. Wilson, W. Reineck, C. Morey, C. G. Milnes, J. Burgess, J. Harris, J. Elrod.

V.

VISITORS.

1. TO IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY—J. A. Wilson, J. B. Hill, C. W. Shaw, O. P. Light, C. S. Jennis, G. N. Power, A. S. Prather.

2. TO GARRETT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE—W. C. Shippen, J. W. McDonald.

VI.

INTRODUCTIONS.

J. Wheeler, D. D., Rev. P. J. Leonard, Rev. A. M. Brown of Erie Conference; Prof. T. C. George, Rev. John Moorhead, of Missouri Conference; Rev. N. D. Freeman, of New England Conference; Rev. John Hadden, of the U. P. Church; Rev. J. W. Prince, of Des Moines Conference; F. E. Parish, of the Chicago Book Depository; Rev. J. M. Batchelor, of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Andrew B. Morrison, Rev. J. W. Malone, of the A. M. E. Church; Rev. J. B. Blakeney, B. F. Crary, D. D., J. M. Read, D. D., Rev. T. Pell.

VII.

STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES.--1870.

AMERICAN AND FOREIGN CHRISTIAN UNION—R. S. Robinson, T. E. Corkhill, John Harris.

AUDITING COMMITTEE—A. S. Prather, A. P. Morrison, C. B. Clark.

BETHEL WORK—E. H. Winans, G. W. Bamford, C. P. Reynolds.

BIBLE CAUSE—M. Miller, B. Holland, C. G. Milnes.

CHURCH—EXTENSION—Banner Mark, James Haynes, O. P. Light, T. E. Corkhill, J. Harris, R. S. Robinson, J. B. Hardy.

DECEASED BISHOPS—TO PREPARE MINUTE RESPECTING—E. H. Waring, I. P. Teter, J. H. Power.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES—(to report next year,) W. F. Cowles, John Harris, O. C. Shelton.

EDUCATION—W. C. Shippen, J. W. McDonald, Joseph Gassner, W. Dennett, Y. J. Holloway, A. P. Morrison, C. S. Jennis, J. Wheeler.

FAIRFIELD MEMORIAL—The Presiding Elders.

FINANCIAL PLAN—A. Robinson, Ira O. Kemble, S. Brooks.

FREEDMENS' AID CAUSE—J. Elrod, J. M. Mann, D. Donaldson.

MISSIONS—The Presiding Elders.

NECESSITOUS CASES—The Stewards.

NEW YORK BOOK ACCOUNTS—L. T. Rowley.

PERIODICALS—J. B. Lee, J. W. McDonald, N. Wells, E. H. Coddington, J. G. Thompson, W. Reineck, John Haynes.

POST OFFICES—O. C. Shelton.

PUBLIC WORSHIP—J. Burgess, R. B. Allender.

PUBLICATION FUND—E. L. Briggs, G. W. Bamford, W. Poston, O. C. Shelton, U. B. Smith, C. S. Jennis, J. M. Mann.

PUBLISHING MINUTES—The Secretaries.

SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTY—J. B. Hardy.

SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH—G. W. Byrkit, W. G. Thorn, G. W. Friend, C. B. Clark, M. See, A. Orr, J. B. Hardy.

STATE CAMP MEETING—G. W. Byrkit, I. P. Teter, F. W. Evans, C. P. Reynolds, C. W. Shaw, R. B. Allender, I. O. Kemble.

STATE METHODIST CONVENTION—W. C. Shippen, A. Robinson, A. P. Morrison, T. E. Corkhill, C. W. Shaw, T. Stephenson, A. S. Prather.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—G. W. Byrkit, J. B. Hill, Wm. Poston, O. C. Shelton, C. W. Shaw, R. B. Allender, John Haynes.

STATISTICS—J. A. Wilson, S. H. Thomas, N. Wells, D. C. Smith, C. W. Shaw, J. M. Mann, I. O. Kemble.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION—J. A. Wilson, J. C. Brown, J. Gassner, C. G. Milnes, W. I. Miller, T. M. Kirkpatrick, J. S. Rankin.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS—G. N. Power, J. C. Brown, G. W. Friend, J. G. Barton, C. B. Clark, W. Reineck, I. O. Kemble.

TEMPERANCE—James Haynes, S. Brooks, R. S. Robinson.

TOBACCO—Joseph Gassner, C. G. Milnes, J. B. Lee, T. E. Corkhill, J. B. Hill.

TRACT CAUSE—J. T. Coleman, A. Laubach, James Haynes.

VIII.

OPENING SERVICES OF CONFERENCE SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, September 28, 1870.

9 A. M.—Bishop Ames called the Conference to order, and, after singing and prayer, proceeded to administer the Lord's Supper.

The Conference then proceeded to business.

E. H. Waring, Secretary, called the roll, and 71 members answered to their names. [See Roll.]

The transfers to this Conference of John Wheeler, D. D., Parley J. Leonard and W. J. Spaulding, were announced.

The Secretaries were then elected, and the Stewards and Committees appointed.

IX.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. What Preachers are admitted on trial?

ANSWER. William G. Wilson, Charles L. Stafford, (a deacon,) James R. Noble, Charles Dailey, James L. King, Albert J. Van Camp, David C. Bevan, Thomas C. George, Thomas Coke Miller, John W. Chaffin, an Elder, John C. Potter—11.

QUEST. 2. Who remain on trial?

ANS. J. W. Cheney, J. D. De Tarr, B. F. Shane, T. J. Myers, A. W. Haines, A. Steadwell, J. W. Robinson, J. C. Kendrick, G. Nulton, D. B. Smith—10.

QUEST. 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

ANS. C. W. Shepherd, W. H. H. Smith, E. J. Pike, J. G. Barton, M. W. F. Smith, I. N. Busby, J. N. Elliott, *W. H. Honn, (a deacon,) R. J. Kenyon, (a deacon,) S. S. Murphy. [*Brother Honn passed the examination of the third year.]

Received by transfer—A. B. Morrison, an elder from Southern Illinois Conference; John Wheeler, D. D., an elder, and Parley J. Leonard, a deacon of the first year, of North Ohio Conference; W. J. Spaulding, an elder of the Indiana Conference—4.

Re-admitted—Alfred McClintock, a deacon, from St. Louis Conference, James R. Blakeney, an elder, from West Virginia Conference—2.

QUEST. 4. Who are the Deacons?

ANS. First Class—C. H. Shepherd, W. H. H. Smith, E. J. Pike, J. G. Barton, M. W. F. Smith, S. S. Murphy, I. N. Busby, J. N. Elliott—8.

Second Class—W. G. Thorn, J. B. Lee, U. B. Smith, J. S. Rankin, Y. J. Holloway, P. J. Leonard—6.

Local Preachers ordained Deacons this year—Andrew Smith, B. F. Shane, Samuel Mitchell, K. P. Morrison, John M. Loughridge—4.

QUEST. 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

ANS. E. H. Coddington, J. W. McDonald, J. M. Mann, W. I. Miller, A. McClintock—5.

QUEST. 6. Who have been located this year?

ANS. None.

QUEST. 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Date of non-effective relation.	Names.	Post-office address.
ANS. 1861.....	Adam Miller.....	Chicago, Illinois.
1863.....	Thomas Dixon.....	Baker, Jefferson Co., Iowa.
1866	Harrison Runyan.	Hamilton, Jefferson Co.
1867.....	Edward W. Twining.....	Washington, Iowa.
1869.....	James H. Lucas.....	Bloomfield, Iowa.
1870.....	Isaiah A. Bradrick.....	Mount Pleasant.

C. P. Reynolds and A. W. Johnston were made effective.

QUEST. 8. Who are the Superannuated or worn-out Preachers?

Date of non-effective relation.	Names.	Post-office Address.
ANS. 1851.....	J. W. Maxon.....	Mount Pleasant, Iowa.
1856.....	L. C. Woodford.....	Tipton, Iowa.
1862.....	J. H. McCutchen.....	New Boston, Lee Co., Iowa.
1862.....	J. H. White.....	Mount Pleasant, Iowa.
1866.....	John Hayden.....	Libertyville, Iowa.
1867.....	James W. Latham.....	Keosauqua, Iowa.
1869.....	James G. Thompson.....	Oskaloosa, Iowa.
1870.....	Samuel Hestwood.....	Newton, Iowa.
1870.....	A. W. Stryker.....	_____
1870.....	J. McDowell.....	Mount Pleasant, Iowa.
1870.....	P. F. Holtzinger.....	Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

QUEST. 9. Who have been expelled from the connection this year?

ANS. None.

QUEST. 10. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

ANS. None.

QUEST. 11. Are all the Preachers blameless in life and conversation?

ANS. This was attended to by calling the names of the Preachers in open Conference.

QUEST. 12. Who have died this year?

ANS. None.

QUEST. 13. What is the number of Church Members?

ANS. Members, 21,324; Probationers, 1,750; Local Preachers, 217. Total, 23,291. Increase, 210. [For details, see Statistical Tables.]

QUEST. 14. What amounts are necessary for the superannuated Preachers, and the widows and orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiencies of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on Circuits and Stations?

ANS. For Superannuated Preachers.....	\$ 200 00
For Widows and Orphans.....	926 00
To make up Deficiencies, etc.....	6,263 00
	<u>\$7,389 00</u>

QUEST. 15. What has been collected on the foregoing, and how has it been applied?

ANS. From Chartered Fund.....	\$ 30 00
From Circuits and Stations.....	721 05
	<u>\$ 751 05</u>
Net Deficiency.....	<u>\$6,637 95</u>

The funds were distributed as follows, by order of Conference, viz:

TO SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

Claimant.	Dividend.	Paid to.
L. C. Woodford.....	\$ 80 55.....	A. S. Prather.

TO EFFECTIVE PREACHERS.

J. McDowell.....	\$128 00.....	J. McDowell.
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TO WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Mrs. Worthington.....	\$167 50.....	I. P. Teter.
Mrs. Stewart.....	55 00.....	I. P. Teter.
Mrs. Hare.....	55 00.....	I. P. Teter.
Mrs. Bussey.....	40 00.....	J. Harris.
Mrs. Wayman.....	55 00.....	Jas. Haynes.
Mrs. Boyles.....	50 00.....	M. Miller.
Mrs. Coiner.....	50 00.....	I. A. Bradrick.
Mrs. Clark.....	40 00.....	J. Orr.
W. Simpson's children.....	30 00.....	W. Dennett.

The funds paid 40 per cent of the claims.

QUEST. 16. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

[N. B.—Elders in *italics*; Deacons in SMALL CAPITALS; Probationers in Roman type. The figures refer to the number of years in the appointment. The name of the appointment is the Post-office address of the Preacher, except where it is otherwise stated.]

KEOKUK DISTRICT—JOHN H. POWER, P. E., 3. [Post-office Burlington.]

	Yrs.
Keokuk—Chatham Square.....	George N. Power. 2
Keokuk—Exchange Street.....	Edward L. Schreiner. 1
Montrose and Farmington.....	B. A. Wright. 2. Thomas C. Miller. 1
Fort Madison.....	Joseph W. Cheney. 1
West Point.....	John S. Ferguson. 1
Bentonsport.....	James A. Wilson. 1
Keosauqua.....	William Thatcher. 1
Winchester.....	W. H. H. Smith. 1
Birmingham.....	James T. Coleman. 2

Lebanon.....	John Orr,	2
Vernon.....	[to be supplied.]	
Agency City.....	George W. Byrkit,	2
Ottumwa—First Church.....	Thomas E. Corkhill,	1
Ottumwa—Main Street.....	Elias L. Briggs,	2

Ephraim H. Winans, [3] Bethel Missionary and Assistant Superintendent for the District of St. Louis—member of Exchange Street Quarterly Conference. Post-office, Keokuk, Iowa.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT—ISAAC P. TETER, P. E. 3. [Post-office, Mt. Pleasant,]

Burlington—Old Zion.....	William C. Shippen,	1
Burlington—Division Street.....	John C. Brown,	2
Burlington Circuit.....	[Post-office, Danville, Iowa,] Andrew B. Morrison,	1
".....	[Post-office, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa,] C. L. STAFFORD,	2
New London.....	William Reineck,	1
Dodgeville.....	Elias J. Pike,	2
Kossuth.....	Wesley J. Spalding,	1
Wapello.....	SAMUEL S. MURPHY,	2
Morning Sun.....	[to be supplied.]	
Winfield.....	George W. Bamford,	2
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	[Post-office, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa,] Loveland T. Rowley,	2
Marshall.....	Thomas Stephenson,	1
Ainsworth and Columbus City.....	[Post-office, Columbus City, Iowa,] James Haynes,	1
Crawfordsville.....	Anthony Robinson,	1
Talleyrand.....	John C. Kendrick,	1

MUSCATINE DISTRICT—F. W. EVANS, P. E., 3. [P. O., Washington, Iowa,]

Muscatine Station.....	James B. Blakeney,	1
Muscatine Circuit.....	[Post-office, Muscatine, Iowa,] George H. Clarke,	2
Washington.....	Arthur B. Morrison,	2
Lexington.....	[Post-office, Washington, Iowa,] William Poston,	1
Dayton.....	[to be supplied.]	
Richmond.....	George W. Friend,	2
Grandview.....	Oliver P. Light, 2; Albert J. Van Camp,	1
Sweetland Center.....	Joseph Gassner,	1
Blue Grass.....	Michael See,	1
Wilton.....	Nelson Wells,	1
West Liberty.....	James R. Noble,	1
Pleasant Valley.....	[Post-office, Palestine, Johnson Co.,] Charles Dailey,	1
North Liberty.....	Dennis Murphy,	1

Lewis S. Ashbaugh, State Temperance Agent—member of Wilton Quarterly Conference, [1.] Post-office, Wilton, Iowa.

Mt. PLEASANT DISTRICT—E. H. WARING, P. E. 2. [P. O. Fairfield, Iowa,]

Mount Pleasant—Asbury Chapel.....	John Haynes,	1
Mount Pleasant—Main Street.....	William F. Cowles,	1
Mount Pleasant—Henry Street.....	PARLEY J. LEONARD,	1
Salem.....	David Donaldson,	1
Fairfield—Church Street.....	Eli H. Coddington,	1
Fairfield—Harmony Station.....	Charles G. Milnes,	2
Salina and Glasgow.....	[Post-office, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa,] Orville C. Shelton,	1
Batavia.....	Abraham Laubach,	2
Independent.....	Abner Orr,	1
Brighton.....	C. Perry Reynolds,	1
Richland.....	Strange Brooks,	1
Abingdon.....	JOHN N. ELLIOTT,	1
Martinsburgh.....	Samuel H. Thomas,	1
*Dahlonga.....	Richard S. Robinson,	1
Kirkville.....	James G. Barton,	1

Iowa Wesleyan University, *John Wheeler, D. D.*, [1.] President; Thomas C. George, [3.] Professor—members of Main Street Quarterly Conference; *James H. Hopkins*, [3.] Professor—member of Henry Street Quarterly Conference, [College Post-office, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.]

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT—JOHN B. HILL, P. E., 1. [Post-office, Oskaloosa,]

Oskaloosa—First Church.....	J. Wilber McDonald,	1
Oskaloosa—Simpson Chapel.....	Banner Mark,	1
Oskaloosa—Wesley Chapel, [colored,].....	to be supplied by Andrew Coleman,	1
Fremont.....	William I. Miller,	1
Beacon.....	Allen W. Johnston,	1
Knoxville Station.....	Jesse Craig,	2
Knoxville Circuit.....	[Post-office, Knoxville, Iowa,] James L. King,	1
Attica.....	BENJAMIN F. SHANE,	1
Bellefontaine.....	Alfred McClintock,	1
Pella.....	John Burgess,	1
Otley.....	[to be supplied.]	
Peoria.....	Uriah B. Smith,	3
Sigourney.....	Thomas J. Myers,	1
Webster.....	John W. Robinson,	1

Springfield.....	WILLIAM H. HONN,	1
New Sharon.....	Amos S. Prather,	1
Union.....	[to be supplied.]	
Lancaster.....	Aaron W. Haines,	1

ALBIA DISTRICT—RICHARD B. ALLENDER, P. E., 1. [Post-office, Albia.]

Albia Station.....	John Harris,	1
Albia Circuit.....	[Post-office, Albia,] William G. Wilson,	1
Centerville.....	Chesley S. Jennis,	1
Cincinnati.....	Thomas M. Kirkpatrick,	1
Jerome.....	[to be supplied.]	
Bloomfield.....	Charles W. Shaw,	1
Moulton.....	James M. Mann,	1
Troy.....	CHARLES W. SHEPHERD,	1
Milton.....	DAVID B. SMITH,	2
Drakeville.....	JASPER B. LEE,	1
Unionville.....	WILLIAM G. THORN,	1
Chillicothe.....	Benjamin Holland,	1
Eddyville.....	Miltiades Miller,	1
Hamilton.....	George Nulton,	1
Lovilla.....	to be supplied by W. F. Lehw,	1
Melrose.....	YOUNG J. HOLLOWAY,	1
Floris.....	Anson Steadwell,	1

NEWTON DISTRICT—JOHN T. SIMMONS, P. E., 4. [Post-office, Marengo.]

Newton Station.....	Charles B. Clark,	1
Newton Circuit.....	[Post-office, Newton, Iowa,] John Elrod,	1
Kellogg.....	RANDALL J. KENYON,	1
Lynnville.....	John D. De Tarr,	1
Grinnell.....	John W. Chaffin,	1
Chester.....	Isaac N. Busby,	1
Malcolm.....	James M. Coats,	1
Brooklyn.....	Joshua B. Hardy,	1
Victor.....	David C. Smith,	1
Montezuma.....	JAMES S. RANKIN,	1
Millersburgh.....	John C. Potter,	1
Marengo.....	Ira O. Kemble,	3
Williamsburgh.....	[to be supplied.]	
Pleasant Hill.....	[Post-office, Windham, Johnston Co., Iowa,] David C. Bevan,	1

Lawson A. Smith and Melancthon W. F. Smith, transferred to St. Louis Conference; Levin B. Dennis, transferred to Southern Illinois Conference; James N. Platt, transferred to Upper Iowa Conference; Wesley Dennett, transferred to California Conference, and appointed to Napa City.

*[R. S. Robinson has resigned the charge, and John Hayden has been appointed to it.]

QUEST. 17. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

ANS. At Main Street, Mount Pleasant. Time not given.

X.

ITEMS FROM THE JOURNAL.

WEDNESDAY, September 28, 1870.

A paper from Keokuk District Association respecting a proposed volume of original sermons, was referred to W. Dennett, W. F. Cowles and M. Miller.

A memorial from Fairfield Station, was referred to the Presiding Elders.

The Presiding Elders made report of their Districts, and the Effective Elders of the several Districts reported their collections, and were passed. [For changes in relations, etc., see Disciplinary Questions.]

A draft for \$30 on the Chartered Fund was ordered.

The time of meeting was fixed at 8:30 A. M., and of adjourning at 12 M.

Devotional services were ordered for each morning at 8 o'clock.

Rev. R. S. Robinson pronounced the benediction.

2 P. M.—Conference met, W. F. Cowles in the chair. Rev. W. Dennett opened with prayer. The roll was called, and the statistics, collections, etc., reported.

THURSDAY, September 29, 1870.

A Committee was ordered to draft resolutions respecting the deaths of Bishops Thomson and Kingsley. [See List.]

Papers respecting a State Camp Meeting and State Methodist Convention, were appropriately referred.

The transfer of A. B. Morrison to this Conference was announced.

A plan for District Conferences, by J. H. Power, was referred.

Rev. J. B. Hill dismissed the Conference.

FRIDAY, September 30, 1870.

Chaplain McCabe sang the hymn—

“There is a spot to me more dear,” etc.

Rev. J. Moorhead made a statement respecting the M. E. Church at Kirksville, Missouri, and a collection of \$66,15, was taken up for it.

SATURDAY, October 1, 1870.

A resolution respecting an Iowa Methodist paper, was referred.

Dr. Walden spoke on publication matters.

Benediction by Rev. R. B. Allender.

MONDAY, October 3, 1870.

8 A. M.—O. C. Shelton opened the session with prayer.

Sundry receipts for Conference moneys were filed.

The Bishop filed a certificate of ordinations.

J. W. McDonald was elected assistant Treasurer of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society.

The arrangement of the time and order of the Conference Anniversaries next year, was referred to the Presiding Elder of the District, and the pastor or pastors of the place of the next annual session.

I. A. Bradrick and I. P. Teter were appointed to secure a commutation of fares for Preachers and visitors to the next Conference, and to the Conference Sunday School Convention next May.

The report on Periodicals was read, and Drs. Reed and Crary addressed the Conference. A substitute for the report prevailed.

An afternoon session was ordered.

The proposed Restrictive Rules for Baltimore Conference, were deferred till next year.

Rev. G. W. Byrkit pronounced the benediction.

2 P. M.—Rev. J. Harris opened with prayer.

The Standing Committees for 1871 were appointed. [See List.]

Miss Belle Leonard, of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, addressed the Conference.

The Secretary's bill of \$4,90, for Stationery, was paid, and he was authorized to publish 2000 copies of the Minutes of 1870.

On motion of R. S. Robinson, the Ministers' wives were invited to attend the next Conference, to form a Society of the Preachers' wives of the Conference.

Chaplain McCabe again led the Conference in holy song.

The Minutes were read up.

Bishop Ames addressed the Conference, and announced the appointments of the Preachers. [See Disciplinary Questions.]

The Conference then adjourned, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

IX.

REPORTS.

I. AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The committee have examined the accounts of the Conference, and find the Secretary's and Presiding Elders' accounts correct, except the fourth quarter's [missionary] allowance to Floris Mission, Albia District (\$31,) for which there is no voucher. [This was satisfactorily explained—*Sec.*]

JAMES HAYNES, *Ch'n*,
A. LAUBACH,
T. STEPHENSON.

II. BETHEL WORK.

The committee re-affirmed last year's action, viz:

"WHEREAS, The late General Conference declared itself in sympathy with the Western Seaman's Friend Society, and affectionately commended the same to the consideration of our Churches and Conferences; and,

"WHEREAS, Said Society has asked the appointment of Rev. E. H. Winans, as "Bethel Missionary and Assistant Superintendent for the District of St. Louis;" therefore,

"Resolved, 1. That we request of the Bishop the appointment of Brother Winans in accordance with the petition referred to.

"2. That the Conference commend the Bethel Cause to Christian people everywhere, as an object worthy of their prayers, sympathies and contributions."

III. BIBLE CAUSE.

Our confidence in the American Bible Society as a potential agent in the diffusion of Scriptural knowledge, remaining unimpaired, the committee would submit the following:

Resolved, That we re-pledge ourselves to aid the agents of the American Bible Society in taking collections in our charges, and where they fail to visit us, will lift the collections ourselves.

B. HOLLAND, *Chn.*

IV. DECEASED BISHOPS.

WHEREAS, In the Providence of Almighty God, our late reverend and beloved Bishops, EDWARD THOMSON and CALVIN KINGSLEY, have been removed during the ecclesiastical year from their places in the Church militant, to their heavenly reward in the Church triumphant; and,

WHEREAS, These beloved brethren sustained close relations to this Conference—the former, as the honored President of our last session; the other, according to the original plan of Episcopal appointments for 1870, the expected President of this session; therefore,

Resolved, By the Iowa Annual Conference, 1. That we express our high regard for the Episcopal office, as existing in our Church, as a most valuable means of general superintendence, and of great efficiency in promoting all the interests of the Church.

2. That we gratefully recognize the zeal, ability and efficiency with which Bishops Thomson and Kingsley filled the Episcopal office, and express our sense of the loss sustained by the Church, in their removal in the midst of their labors and usefulness.

3. That in their mental culture, literary attainments, refined manners, pure lives, rich experience and devoted labors, we recognize examples worthy of our careful imitation; while their unexpected deaths renews the admonition: "be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

4. That we express our deep sympathy with the families of our deceased Bishops in the affliction which has befallen them.

5. That these resolutions be spread upon the journal of the Conference, and that copies of them be transmitted by the Secretary to their families.

E. H. WARING,
I. P. TETER,
J. H. POWER.

V. CHURCH-EXTENSION.

WHEREAS, The organization of our denomination was incomplete without a Church-Extension Society, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we will strive to acquaint our people with the design of the Church-Extension Society's movements, and solicit of them funds for its aid.

2. That as God is calling to a greater work, and a larger field of usefulness is opening for our occupancy, we will insist upon correspondingly increased liberality upon the part of the wealthy of our membership in its support.

3. That while some neighborhoods in our Conference are in great need of help, we express our opposition to the Society's furnishing aid for the building of costly Churches in any part of the field.

B. MARK,
T. E. CORKHILL,
JAMES HAYNES, *Sec.*

VI. EDUCATION.

REPORT NO. I.

WHEREAS, President Wheeler, at the Educational Anniversary, placed before the members of the Conference the present pressing wants of the Iowa Wesleyan University, to wit: 1st, An increased patronage. 2d, An additional increase of the Endowment Fund of \$100,000; and, 3d, Additional buildings, especially for the purposes of a Chapel and a Ladies' Hall; and,

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees adopted a report looking to these things, and have appointed Charles Snider, and earnestly and kindly requested him to act as Agent; and,

WHEREAS, The Board passed a resolution requesting the members of this Conference to collect and send to the University library, all books persons within their several charges are willing to contribute, and a second resolution requesting the Bishop not to appoint any man in charge of a District, who would not use his utmost endeavor to have the Educational collections taken up in his District, and otherwise labor for the promotion of the interests of the University; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we approve of the course of the Trustees in authorizing the prosecution of the great financial interests of the University, and that we will earnestly co-operate in this work.

2. That we approve of the appointment of Charles Snider as Agent of the University, and add our request that, as far as he can, he kindly favor the University with his services.

3. That we will use our best endeavors to send the youth of our Charges to the University.

4. That we will, during the early part of the year, take up the required Educational collection.

5. That we will pay respectful attention to the request of the Trustees as to contributions of books to the library, and use exertions to secure such donations.

6. That we approve of the action of the Trustees in regard to the appointment of Presiding Elders.

7. That an Educational Anniversary be held at our next annual session, and with special reference to the interests of the University.

8. That Rev. John Wheeler, W. Bird, J. H. Power, H. Avery, and W. Dennett, be elected Trustees to fill vacancies made by expiration of time.

9. That Oliver Hoyt be elected to fill a vacancy made in the third year.

10 and 11. [Appointing Visitors—See List.]

12. That we request the faculty to visit our Charges during the year, and to present the claims of the University, and of Education, and that their traveling expenses be paid out of the collections for the University. W. DENNETT, *Sec'y*.

REPORT NO. II.

The committee have had before them a circular from the *Corresponding Secretary* of the M. E. S. S. Union, in regard to the board of Education, organized by the last General Conference, and the Childrens' Fund, now amounting to \$70,000, and submit the following:

Resolved, 1. That each Pastor be requested to carry into execution the resolution of the General Conference, recommending the setting apart of the second Sabbath in June as the CHILDRENS' DAY, on which collections be taken in all our Sunday Schools for the Sunday School Childrens' Fund.

2. That we endorse the action of the Board, that no part of the interest of the fund be appropriated until it shall amount to \$100,000. W. DENNETT, *Sec'y*.

VII. FAIRFIELD MEMORIAL.

The committee have considered the question propounded in the memorial from Fairfield Station, viz: "Has a Minister of the M. E. Church the right, under the discipline and usages of the Church, after having resigned his pastorate, to remain within the bounds of the same, preach and receive pay therefor?" And they offer for adoption, the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That a Minister of the M. E. Church has no disciplinary right to resign his charge in the interval of the Conference.

2. That in case of a Minister abandoning his charge, he has no right to remain within the bounds of the same, preach, and receive pay therefor.

[Signed by the Presiding Elders.]

VIII. FINANCIAL PLAN.

The committee submit the following report:

1. The fourth Quarterly Conference shall fix a time and place for holding a financial meeting as soon as practicable after the ensuing Conference.

2. The estimating committee shall report to this financial board the amount of the pastor's salary.

3. The financial board shall apportion the amount to be raised among the several classes in the charge.

4. The official members of each class shall apportion the amount assessed to it among the respective members, according to their several ability.

5. At a meeting of the class or classes, called for the purpose, the assessment shall be read. Any member feeling that his assessment is not equitable, shall give his reasons for the same, and the class shall fix his amount accordingly.

6. The collecting stewards shall report the delinquents of their respective classes to each quarterly love feast.

7. Any member refusing to pay a reasonable share of the amount to be raised, or the amount he has assumed, shall be held guilty of violating his covenant vows, and shall be dealt with accordingly.

A. ROBINSON,
S. BROOKS,
I. O. KEMBLE.

IX. FREEDMEN'S AID CAUSE.

Resolved, That, as a Conference, we will use more diligence in securing increased contributions to the Freedmen's Aid Cause; and that we sympathize with, and cordially approve of the Feedmen's Aid Society of the M. E. Church.

JOHN ELROD, *Ch'n*.

X. IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

I. REPORT OF SECRETARY OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, FOR THE YEAR CLOSING JUNE 9, 1870.

After referring favorably to the present condition and future prospects of the College, the report says:

The following is an exhibit of its condition as reported to the Trustees at their last session:

GENERAL ENDOWMENT.

United States Bonds at five and six per cent.....	\$ 6,000 00	
Hoyt Fund at seven per cent.....	15,000 00	
From sales of land on Muscatine Island.....	1,245 00	
Notes bearing interest.....	1,500 35	\$23,745 35
County Railroad Bonds.....	\$ 8,000 00	
Lands on Muscatine Island.....	2,400 00	
Contingent notes and obligations.....	4,600 00	\$15,000 00
Total of General Endowment.....	\$38,745 35	\$38,745 35

ALUMNAL FUND.

Harlan Fund.....	\$ 2,500 00	
Interest bearing notes.....	2,415 00	\$4,915 00

PRESIDENT'S CHAIR.

United States Bonds, six per cent gold.....	\$ 9,400 00	
Notes bearing eight per cent.....	9,758 55	
Lands and Lots.....	1,000 00	
Cash on hand.....	57 02	\$20,215 57
Unsettled subscriptions.....	\$ 1,100 00	
Sums not bearing interest.....	17,057 02	
Sums bearing interest.....	47,818 90	
Total.....	\$64,975 92	\$64,975 92

BALANCE SHEET.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 95 98
Coupons and interest.....	2,549 33
Educational collections.....	212 02
Collected by Agent.....	2,180 20
House rent.....	80 00
Janitor's and Tuition Fees.....	1,484 50
From First National Bank.....	1,900 00
On bills receivable.....	253 16
From Treasurer.....	4 39

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Professors.....	\$ 4,479 50
Paid Janitor.....	307 00
Paid I. A. Bradrick.....	200 00
For Wood.....	150 00
Sundry expenses.....	683 23
First National Bank.....	2,892 25
Interest.....	47 50

\$ 8,759 58 \$ 8,759 58

Amount due Faculty.....	1,460 00
Amount due Janitor.....	104 00
Amount due Bank.....	635 00
Amount for circulars.....	240 80

Amount to balance..... \$ 2,439 80

Total..... \$11,199 38 \$11,199 38

To show the entire value of the institution, there should be added to the foregoing, as follows:

Total value of Endowment.....	\$ 64,975 92
Value of Buildings and Grounds.....	45,000 00
Grand total.....	\$109,975 92

MEETING OF TRUSTEES.

The Trustees met in annual session, June 8th, 1870. A paper from Hon. James Harlan was read, containing his resignation as President, and strongly urging the election of Rev. John Wheeler, D. D., as his successor. After due deliberation, the resignation was accepted, and Dr. Wheeler was unanimously elected President of the University. They also passed a resolution for the transfer of a part of the Endowment Funds from the United States bonds, that yield only seven per cent., to individual securities bearing ten per cent., and providing for ample security to the funds of the University. To meet the needs of the Library they requested the members of the Conference to call upon their respective charges for books for the library, to be forwarded to the University as soon as practicable.

The officers of the Board for the year, are J. H. Power, D. D., President; Rev. T. E. Corkhill, Secretary; C. Snider, Esq., Treasurer; Rev. E. L. Briggs, Financial Secretary.

During the year Darius Wilcox, in attempting to revive an old claim, once held by him and settled about 1862 or 1863, and for which a receipt in full was made and signed by himself, brought suit against the University for about \$3,000.00. The case was decided in the District Court of Henry county, in favor of the University; but it has been carried to the Supreme Court, and may be tried at the next term.

According to the provisions of the Charter, five trustees go out of office by expiration of time, to wit: J. H. Power, W. Bird, A. S. Prather, H. Avery and W. Dennett. There are no other vacancies, unless it be thought best to vacate the places of some who have never met with the board.

ATTENDANCE.

Seniors, 10; Juniors, 12; Sophomores, 14; Freshmen, 12; Scientifics, 31. Total Collegiate, 79. Preparatory, 103; Music, 104; Drawing and Painting, 11; Modern Languages, 15. Whole number, 312. Counted twice, 50. Actual number, 262. Of the above, at the Commencement, 10 received the degree of B. A., and eight the degree of B. S. Total number of graduates this year, 18. Total of Alumni, 130.

The faculty remains as last year, except in the change of presidents, and the trustees feel assured that in the hands of Dr. Wheeler, the interests of the College will be carried to the highest point of prosperity and success.

T. E. CORKHILL, *Secretary*.

II. REPORT OF VISITORS.

The Visitors were mostly on hand at the Annual Examination and Commencement, and were in joint session with the Trustees; and heartily endorse the report of the Trustees as read by the Secretary. They found the property in good condition, and the school flourishing. They commend the Institution to the fostering care, patronage and confidence of all our people.

JOHN HAYNES, *Sec'y*.

XI. MISSIONS.

The committee on Missions report the amount appropriated to this Conference, \$600; and they have constituted the following Missions, with the annexed appropriations, to wit:

Grinnell, \$300. Exchange Street, Keokuk, Independent and Morning Sun, each, \$100.

J. H. POWER, *Ch'n*.

E. H. WARING, *Sec'y*.

I concur in the above appropriations.

E. R. AMES.

XII. PERIODICALS.

Resolved, That we fully endorse the course of the Editors of our Church Periodicals, and earnestly recommend our publications to the patronage of our Preachers and people.

E. H. WARING,
G. N. POWER.

XIII. SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The committee report that a statement was presented to them from the Trustees of Pella Church, that they had sold said house for the purpose of building another, and relieving themselves from debt, and requesting that their action be legalized. Also a request from the Quarterly Conference of Kirkville circuit, to sell the old church at Kirkville. Also a request from the Quarterly Conference of Chillicothe circuit, to sell the parsonage in the town of Chillicothe. Also a request from the Quarterly Conference of Union circuit to sell the church and parsonage at Union Mills.

They recommend that said requests be granted, the proceeds in each case to be used for the benefit of the parties concerned, as the discipline directs.

J. B. HARDY,
S. H. THOMAS,
P. F. HOLTZINGER.

XIV. SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

Believing the Sabbath to be of Divine institution, and designed as a day of rest and religious devotion, we declare ourselves opposed to its desecration by engaging in any secular employments, either as individuals or corporations. We believe that Sabbath visiting for pleasure is as unjustifiable as ordinary labor. We furthermore advise our people not to take music lessons from hired teachers on the Sabbath.

A. ORR, *Ch'n*,
C. B. CLARK, *Sec*.

XV. STATE CAMP MEETING.

The committee recommended the appointment of a committee from this Conference to confer with the committees of the other Conferences in Iowa, in making arrangements for an Iowa State Camp Meeting next year. [For committee, see list of committees.]

XVI. STATE METHODIST CONVENTION.

WHEREAS, Certain resolutions have been passed by the other Conferences in Iowa respecting the call for an Iowa State Methodist Convention, and committees have been appointed to take the preliminary steps necessary thereto; therefore,

Resolved, That this Conference heartily agrees to such call, and we recommend the following brethren to constitute the committee of arrangements for the Iowa Conference, viz:

Ministers—Rev'ds J. T. Simmons, G. N. Power, C. W. Shaw, D. Murphy, A. S. Prather and W. C. Shippen.

Laymen—Dr. J. M. Shaffer, of Fairfield, W. J. Mitchell, of Ottumwa, G. Sweny, of Burlington, F. Bacon, of Wilton, and Dr. J. N. Hammer, of Newton.

C. W. SHAW, *Sec'y*.

XVII. SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OF IOWA CONFERENCE.

The committee reported as follows:

Resolved, I. That we recommend the holding of an Iowa Conference Sunday School Convention, composed of the pastors, and one layman from each charge in the Conference.

2. That the Convention be held in the city of Ottumwa, commencing on Tuesday, May 9th, 1871.

3. That we appoint J. H. Power, T. E. Corkhill and E. L. Briggs, an Executive committee to arrange a programme, and provide speakers from abroad, and to attend to all preliminary arrangements.

4. That the Executive committee shall have power to change the time of the Convention to accommodate the speakers whom they may invite, and to secure the success of the Convention.

J. A. WILSON, *Sec'y.*

XVIII. INTEMPERANCE.

Resolved, 1. That total abstinence from intoxicating drinks, as our excellent discipline directs, unless in cases of extreme necessity, is the only safety against the accursed evil.

2. That we will heartily and earnestly co-operate with temperance movements and organizations, in all suitable ways to suppress the giant evil.

3. That we will, in all proper ways, encourage the enforcement of the prohibitory law in the State.

4. That we will, as a body of Ministers, called of God, continue to preach against all intemperance, and especially the licensing for the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

5. That we will urge our people to abstain from growing hops, barley, or any other products intended directly for the manufacture of intoxicating drinks.

6. That we deprecate the nomination and election of intemperate men to public offices, and will urge our people to oppose them in the primary meetings, and at the ballot-box.

7. That our Stewards be urged to obtain the pure juice of the grape instead of fermented wines for sacramental purposes.

JAMES HAYNES, *Chn.*

S. BROOKS, *Sec'y.*

XIX. TOBACCO.

Resolved, 1. That we most earnestly beseech our brethren in the Ministry, who are addicted to the use of tobacco, to desist from its use at once

2. That all the members of our church, within our bounds, are earnestly and affectionately requested to abstain from its use.

3. That we will receive no Minister on trial in the Conference hereafter, who uses tobacco, unless he pledges himself before the Conference to abstain therefrom.

4. That the Bishop be requested to inquire of such candidate for admittance, if he uses tobacco in any form.

C. G. MILNES, *Sec'y.*

XX. TRACT REPORT.

WHEREAS, Our church has always regarded the circulation of tracts, as an important agency in the great work of evangelization; therefore,

Resolved, That we will give increased attention to the collection of money for tracts, and their distribution in our charges.

J. T. COLEMAN, *Sec'y.*

XXI. RESOLUTIONS.

I. AMES, REV. BISHOP.

Resolved, That we hail, with more than usual pleasure, the presence and administration of our beloved Bishop AMES, and will earnestly pray the Great Head of the Church to be with him, and to long preserve his life and health, that his valuable services may be continued to the Church until he shall "cease at once to work and live."

W. C. SHIPPEN,
E. H. WARING.

II. CENTENARY SUBSCRIPTIONS, ETC

WHEREAS, It is understood that there are uncollected centenary subscriptions, etc., outstanding in the Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be, and are hereby requested, to inquire into this matter at the first Quarterly meeting in each charge in their several districts, and if any be found, to provide for their immediate collection.

T. E. CORKHILL,
G. N. POWER.

III. DENNETT, REV. W.

WHEREAS, Rev. W. Dennett has been transferred to the California Conference; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we greatly regret to lose him from among us, and pray the blessing of the Lord to be with him in his new field of labor.

2. That should he desire to return to this Conference, we will cordially welcome him.

E. H. WARING,
A. S. PRATHER,
W. F. COWLES.

IV. DENNIS, REV. L. B.

Resolved, That it is with regret we are called upon to separate with our beloved brother, Rev. L. B. Dennis, and though transferred to another Conference, our prayers for his continued prosperity shall ever ascend to the throne of grace.

C. B. CLARK,
U. B. SMITH.

V. EDITORS AND BOOK AGENT.

Resolved, That we esteem it a great pleasure to have the presence and valuable services of Drs. REED and CRARY, editors of the *Northwestern* and *Central Advocates*, and J. M. WALDEN, D. D., of the Western Book Concern; and that we cordially invite them to visit our Conference sessions as often as they can, and that we will earnestly pray for their success and usefulness in their responsible positions.

W. C. SHIPPEN,
J. T. SIMMONS.

VI. EDUCATIONAL COLLECTIONS.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be requested to see that the Preachers in each charge take up the Educational collection, and that they report any Preacher who fails to take it; and if the Presiding Elder fails to attend to this matter, that the Preachers report such Presiding elder to the Conference.

JOHN H. POWER.

VII. IRREGULAR APPOINTMENTS.

Resolved, That we deem it irregular for any superannuated, supernumerary or local preacher to make stated appointments for preaching, and receive pay therefor, without the concurrence of the Presiding Elder, the pastor, and the Quarterly Conference.

E. H. WARING,
I. A. BRADRICK.

VIII. LAY DELEGATES.

WHEREAS, The General Conference 'of 1868 adopted a plan for the introduction of Lay Delegation to the General Conference, subject to the action of the Annual Conferences; and,

WHEREAS, a constitutional majority in the Annual Conferences have affirmed the said plan; and,

WHEREAS, Said plan contemplates the election of Lay Delegates by the Quarterly Conferences to an Electoral Conference, to be held on the third day of the session of the Annual Conference next preceding the General Conference, which session will occur next year; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That it be made the special duty of the Presiding Elders to give timely notice of the election of said Delegates by the Quarterly Conferences, and to see that the provisions of the plan are carried out at the fourth Quarterly Conferences for next year.

2. That the Lay Delegates so elected to the Electoral Conference be, and they are hereby invited to sit with us in our next session, and to deliberate with us in regard to all matters pertaining to finances, education, and all the benevolent enterprises of the church.

E. H. WARING,
I. P. TETER,
T. E. CORKHILL,
G. N. POWER.

IX. MISSIONARY MATTERS.

Resolved, That the constitution of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society be so amended as to provide for the election of an assistant Treasurer.

E. H. WARING.

Resolved, That we respectfully and earnestly recommend that *all* the funds collected by the Sabbath School Juvenile Missionary Societies, be applied to the Missionary cause.

J. H. POWER.

Resolved, That the President of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society be authorized to divide among the Districts the amount of missionary funds which the General Missionary Committee may apportion to be raised by the Iowa Conference.

J. H. POWER.

X. THE SABBATH.

WHEREAS, The Sabbath is the Lord's Day, and every Christian nation and all Christians ought to strictly observe it; therefore,

Resolved, That we disapprove of railroad or steamboat companies, or any other public organization, desecrating the holy Sabbath, by running cars, boats, etc., on that day.

W. C. SHIPPEN.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That the above reports and resolutions were adopted by the Iowa Conference, at the session of 1870.

E. H. WARING, *Sec'y.*

STATISTICS.

STATISTICS FOR IOWA

KEOKUK

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS		CHURCH PROPERTY.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.
Keokuk—Exchange Street.....	191	3	23	1	22	6	1	\$ 4,500	---	---
Keokuk—Chatham Square.....	214	1	28	1	18	14	1	2,300	---	---
Montrose and Farmington }	239	2	6	4	6	5	7	7,000	---	---
Fort Madison.....	103	---	4	1	3	8	1	2,000	---	---
West Point.....	184	1	15	1	5	4	2	3,500	1	\$ 600
Bentonsport.....	134	2	---	2	3	1	3	4,300	1	1,200
Keosauqua.....	175	3	4	2	6	---	1	2,000	1	1,000
Winchester.....	153	3	2	1	3	5	2	2,800	1	600
Birmingham.....	173	---	4	1	8	3	2	5,000	1	1,000
Lebanon.....	213	3	10	2	15	1	2	2,000	1	500
Vernon.....	136	2	2	2	1	1	2	3,000	---	---
Agency City.....	315	3	13	3	7	5	2	4,000	1	1,000
Ottumwa—First Charge.....	153	5	---	---	---	---	1	10,000	1	3,000
Ottumwa—Second Charge.....	97	---	4	---	4	2	---	---	---	---
Total.....	2,480	27	114	21	101	55	27	\$ 73,000	8	\$ 8,900

BURLINGTON

Burlington—Old Zion.....	202	1	19	1	1	4	1	\$18,000	1	\$ 8,000
Burlington—Division Street.....	237	2	8	1	6	5	1	35,000	1	5,000
Burlington Circuit.....	320	4	8	1	30	2	5	11,000	---	---
New London.....	240	3	18	2	11	2	2	4,600	1	625
Dodgeville.....	100	---	9	2	---	2	3	5,500	---	---
Kossuth.....	228	2	28	1	14	12	2	6,000	1	800
Wapello.....	81	3	6	2	6	5	2	2,000	---	---
Morning Sun.....	43	---	---	---	1	5	---	---	---	---
Winfield.....	236	4	9	4	9	15	3	5,000	1	300
Columbus City.....	106	---	10	1	13	2	2	4,500	---	---
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....	210	4	8	5	4	3	4	8,000	---	---
Marshall.....	177	8	10	1	6	3	2	5,000	1	800
Ainsworth.....	275	2	25	---	50	10	2	3,000	1	1,000
Bethel.....	191	2	14	2	16	7	2	1,400	1	500
Talleyrand.....	90	1	22	---	---	4	1	2,000	---	---
Total.....	2,696	31	194	23	167	78	32	\$ 111,000	8	\$18,625

MUSCATINE

Muscatoine Station.....	330	2	20	4	5	28	1	\$35,000	---	---
Muscatoine Circuit.....	315	5	30	4	---	15	2	7,000	1	\$ 800
Washington.....	211	3	56	---	---	5	1	6,000	1	1,000
Lexington.....	242	1	24	6	11	---	4	5,000	1	800
Richmond.....	306	2	32	3	19	11	3	4,500	1	300
Grandview.....	225	2	70	3	30	12	3	10,500	1	400
Sweetland Center.....	156	1	7	1	19	1	4	8,000	---	---
Blue Grass.....	288	4	63	3	51	9	3	9,600	1	600
Wilton.....	150	---	14	---	4	1	1	3,000	---	---
West Liberty.....	120	3	---	---	2	---	2	2,500	---	---
Pleasant Valley.....	123	---	10	1	3	3	2	2,500	---	---
North Liberty.....	108	1	2	1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Total.....	2,574	24	328	26	144	104	26	\$ 62,100	6	\$3,900

CONFERENCE, FOR 1870.

DISTRICT.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.							SUNDAY SCHOOLS				FINANCES.		
For Confer- ence Claim- ants.	For Mis. Soci'y		For Church Extension Society.	For Tract So- ciety.	For Bible So- ciety.	For Sunday School Un- ion.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Claims.	Receipts.	Paid P. E.
	Churches	Sunday Schools.											
\$ 9 00	128 00			1 00	11 75	1 50	1	22	130	400	\$900	\$900	\$ 86
28 60	65 00	85 00	10 00	2 50	63 00	6 00	1	22	242	700	1125	1125	100
10 10	41 25				22 40		5	38	325	900	900	716	95
2 00	20 00				20 00	3 25	1	12	104	400	800	800	75
	62 70				40 05		3	25	160	800	675	475	80
	25 00						3	24	160	500	700	700	75
4 00	11 65	10 33			11 25	2 00	1	21	200	200	800	640	75
11 60	65 30	1 00	12 00		1 75	2 20	4	45	204	724	600	522	85
	37 00	28 00	5 00		5 00		3	30	250	200	800	800	115
11 30	115 00		5 00	2 30	9 20	1 55	7	68	349	842	600	600	110
3 75	47 80			2 20	4 90	4 75	4	33	148	305	700	470	75
2 00	145 39		8 00			1 00	4	30	200	325	800	800	120
		27 00					1	17	180	525	1000	1000	110
4 40	13 95	20 50			13 10		1	15	85	250	1000	1000	70
\$ 86 75	\$723 85	\$171 71	\$40 00	\$8 00	201 40	22 25	39	402	2733	7079	\$11,400	\$10,548	\$1261

DISTRICT.

\$12 00	\$22 00	148 00	10 00	2 00	12 50	5 00	2	37	280	700	\$1200	\$1200	\$ 85
6 25	70 00	70 65	-----	-----	35 00	3 25	1	28	250	800	1200	1200	100
7 00	84 50	17 00	6 65	14 00	-----	5 00	7	40	500	1040	700	700	100
-----	98 00	-----	-----	-----	41 00	-----	4	47	262	631	750	750	86
2 75	65 30	-----	1 40	3 00	-----	-----	3	22	100	439	400	370	55
7 00	-----	56 48	-----	4 46	34 45	4 52	4	46	278	1350	800	800	100
3 00	22 40	8 25	-----	-----	25 00	-----	3	33	170	400	700	600	65
2 00	5 00	-----	1 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	225	200	43
3 70	46 70	-----	1 00	-----	-----	-----	4	48	200	-----	800	743	80
-----	17 70	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	1	13	109	200	600	600	45
9 65	77 70	8 30	5 35	-----	-----	-----	4	33	300	770	800	800	80
4 00	54 55	4 53	-----	-----	14 25	3 30	3	41	327	550	700	600	100
7 00	58 65	-----	-----	2 00	-----	2 18	3	40	320	150	700	700	80
10 00	-----	-----	3 00	-----	-----	-----	3	29	163	350	600	600	65
1 30	15 35	-----	3 00	85	1 00	-----	2	24	150	306	400	275	42
\$75 65	\$638 85	\$313 18	\$31 40	\$26 31	\$173 20	\$22 25	44	483	3208	7526	\$10,464	\$10,218	\$1126

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\$44 00	\$61 75	251 18	\$5 00	\$4 86	\$40 30	-----	1	47	500	1200	\$1500	\$1500	\$140
1 00	46 00	-----	-----	25	16 00	1 00	4	41	247	838	731	731	90
14 10	50 00	100 00	7 00	8 00	32 00	8 10	1	32	200	700	1000	1000	120
14 50	132 22	13 00	14 40	4 00	8 00	9 55	5	55	388	666	700	700	100
7 65	-----	78 80	2 00	1 50	2 95	3 00	7	86	513	905	850	850	100
25 10	64 10	8 08	1 70	1 70	6 35	2 70	3	50	264	400	900	850	100
8 50	28 00	4 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	4	26	294	300	800	654	90
12 50	76 70	-----	8 02	-----	12 00	2 15	3	46	226	650	900	900	100
12 00	-----	105 00	3 76	8 00	21 50	14 00	1	20	125	300	1000	1000	90
5 00	18 20	10 20	5 00	-----	-----	2 00	2	26	103	250	1000	755	100
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-----	20 00	-----	-----	-----	31 30	-----	3	16	104	125	-----	-----	-----
\$144 45	\$700 97	\$570 25	\$46 88	\$28 31	\$170 40	\$42 50	37	445	2960	6334	\$9,381	\$8,940	\$1032

STATISTICS FOR IOWA

MOUNT PLEASANT

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.
Mt. Pleasant—Asbury Chapel.	425	6	46	10	36	15	1	\$ 20,000	---	---
Mt. Pleasant—Main Street.	252	2	42	9	7	4	1	5,000	---	---
Mt. Pleasant—Henry Street.	80	---	11	2	3	2	1	1,700	---	---
Oakland.	95	3	4	1	1	---	2	2,300	---	---
Salem.	219	2	47	3	40	1	2	4,000	1	700
Fairfield Station.	136	2	10	2	---	2	1	3,000	1	2,000
Fairfield—Harmony.	92	3	17	2	9	---	1	3,000	---	---
Fairfield Circuit.	260	6	16	4	6	6	5	5,200	1	600
Batavia.	378	2	15	4	80	10	5	10,000	1	1,200
Brighton.	365	4	30	3	36	4	6	12,000	1	1,000
Abingdon.	217	2	17	4	2	3	3	4,000	1	375
Martinsburgh.	183	5	14	4	2	6	4	4,550	1	400
Dahlonaga.	170	2	6	3	3	---	2	2,000	---	---
Kirkville.	229	5	20	2	20	7	2	8,000	1	500
Total.	3,101	44	295	53	245	60	36	\$ 84,750	8	\$ 6,775

OSKALOOSA

Oskaloosa—First Church.	194	1	---	---	---	1	1	\$ 10,000	1	\$ 3,000
Oskaloosa—Simpson Chapel.	273	2	14	2	10	1	1	9,000	---	---
Oskaloosa—Wesley Chapel.	47	---	1	---	1	---	1	1,000	---	---
Fremont.	180	---	7	1	4	---	2	2,500	1	450
Beacon.	98	2	4	3	8	3	---	---	---	---
Knoxville Station.	219	3	37	2	27	5	1	5,000	1	1,200
Knoxville Circuit.	246	---	37	---	14	6	---	---	---	---
Attica.	297	3	14	3	22	13	3	6,000	1	875
Bellefontaine.	243	3	4	3	2	4	4	6,000	---	---
Pella.	135	1	15	1	3	4	2	5,500	---	---
Otley.	134	1	22	5	14	1	2	2,100	1	1,000
Peoria.	287	1	30	1	28	2	2	6,500	1	400
Sigourney.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Webster.	170	---	10	---	1	2	2	3,500	1	500
Springfield.	156	3	6	3	18	2	1	1,400	1	500
New Sharon.	126	2	42	6	9	2	1	2,500	1	1,200
Union.	145	1	16	2	21	3	2	3,500	---	---
Lancaster.	95	2	4	2	9	2	1	600	---	---
Total.	2,845	25	263	34	191	51	26	\$ 55,100	9	\$ 9,125

ALBIA

Albia Station.	168	2	2	2	---	9	1	\$ 5,000	---	---
Albia Circuit.	161	3	8	1	18	1	---	---	---	---
Centreville.	143	1	8	5	16	6	1	1,500	1	1,500
Cincinnati.	311	3	69	4	6	3	3	2,000	1	800
Jerome.	225	---	32	4	2	3	---	---	---	---
Bloomfield.	163	3	2	4	---	---	1	2,500	1	1,300
Moulton.	265	1	41	3	18	1	2	2,000	---	---
Troy.	600	13	43	5	51	7	4	5,100	1	1,000
Drakeville.	171	4	5	5	14	6	3	1,600	1	250
Unionville.	255	4	10	1	10	2	3	4,000	1	800
Chillicothe.	234	2	8	4	14	4	3	6,000	---	---
Eddyville.	155	1	9	1	---	4	2	6,500	---	---
Hamilton.	148	2	18	1	4	3	2	4,000	1	700
Lovilla.	240	2	33	---	4	1	---	---	---	---
Melrose.	158	2	12	2	29	1	1	2,500	---	---
Floris.	126	1	8	3	5	---	1	100	---	---
Total.	3,605	44	288	45	213	59	27	\$ 42,800	7	\$ 6,350

CONFERENCE, FOR 1870.

DISTRICT.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.							SUNDAY SCHOOLS				FINANCES.		
For Confer- ence Claim- ants.	For Mis. Soci'y		For Church Extension Society:	For Tract So- ciety.	For Bible So- ciety.	For Sunday School Un- ion.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Claims.	Receipts.	Paid P. E.
	Churches	Sunday Schools.											
\$32 00	175 00	100 00	30 00	\$5 00	\$63 85	\$5 00	1	23	300	1000	\$1125	\$1125	\$145
37 50	71 00	82 00	8 50	5 40	46 11	5 10	1	28	202	538	1300	1247	145
	43 20						1	11	50	80	600	600	28
3 50	14 50				7 55		1	10	75	150	550	313	42
15 00	89 08		3 00	1 95			3	30	200	300	600	600	60
	20 35				16 00		1	16	90	150	700	580	63
1 90	42 00						1	20	113	123	800	800	40
10 00	68 00		2 00	1 00		3 00	5	40	240	600	816	616	75
15 00	67 00		5 00		13 35	2 50	5	50	315	1000	876	876	95
12 00		77 00					5	64	360	580	1000	882	88
6 00	30 00		2 50		4 75		3	21	150	350	650	414	53
7 25	42 10	3 50					3	27	150	301	610	515	70
1 00	51 00	1 00				9 75	4	48	250	525	600	600	55
16 00	32 00	28 80	2 00	1 00	5 80	3 50	3	64	386	800	712	712	70
\$157 15	\$745 23	\$291 30	\$54 00	\$14 05	\$158 41	\$28 85	37	452	2881	6496	\$10,949	\$9,890	\$1029

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\$ 5 50	\$12 10	\$68 87			\$16 00		1	28	240	200	\$1100	\$1100	\$125
		152 78					2	37	270	90	1100	1100	80
1 00		10 00	1 00				1	9	100	362	100	100	16
	35 00	5 00	8 10				3	25	150	200	530	400	50
	24 50						2	12	60		350	202	31
7 40	74 95	18 61	5 25		11 60		1	37	198	500	800	750	94
	15 00						3	37	200		500	236	36
10 00	115 00						6	48	355	650	700	700	80
4 00	57 90			6 00			6	26	309	300	650	550	59
	50 00					4 60	2	33	250	150	800	775	80
	28 85						2	18	186		690	329	52
20 00	56 35				3 35		3	47	250	540	700	700	80
							1	20	180	300	600	500	45
6 00	45 50	5 00	8 00		20 00		2	20	110	100	550	559	65
2 35	45 60						4	30	215		525	419	56
	91 90	8 94	7 80				5	50	240	350	500	500	60
	22 30		85				4	25	115		400	400	60
	6 40						2	20	180	80	564	564	40
\$46 25	\$686 35	\$269 30	\$29 35	\$6 00	\$50 95	\$4 60	50	524	3608	3822	\$11,058	\$9,884	\$1209

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\$ 4 65		\$50 00			\$23 00		1	15	85		\$ 800	\$ 800	\$95
7 00		60 00					5	50	300	1000	400	400	75
5 35	30 00	10 00					1	23	180	100	750	700	75
5 00	27 50			3 00	3 55	3 50	4	30	165	450	400	316	57
14 50	88 00						4	25	250	350	350	323	53
5 35	71 85		22 35				1	24	180	150	1056	781	56
17 00	56 15		5 00	2 00		4 00	5	48	334	648	500	500	75
	111 45		1 00	50	8 35	4 45	6	56	480	700	925	739	90
16 00	35 00				15 25	4 00	3	32	171	375	600	600	70
	44 00				15 55	3 50	3	13	190	290	600	420	59
4 30	42 80						2	22	86	450	600	477	59
9 75	57 00				20 00		2	25	175	275	850	747	69
11 50	30 00			2 00	4 00	5 20	4	40	210	500	500	384	38
12 00	61 00		1 00				6	40	275	300	360	346	58
	50 00			2 00		2 00	3	26	130	185	450	450	70
	4 00						4	12	150		325	200	59
\$129 35	\$808 70	\$120 00	\$29 35	\$9 50	\$89 70	\$28 65	54	481	3361	5773	\$9,466	\$8,183	\$1058

STATISTICS FOR IOWA

NEWTON

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	Local Preach- ers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.
Newton Station.....	200	3	4	2		8	1	\$ 3,000	1	\$1,000
Newton Circuit.....	232		30		3	5	2	5,500		
Kellogg.....	120	2	20		6	3	2	5,900	1	600
Lynnville.....	166	1	72	4	7	10	1	153		
Grinnell.....	127	1	14	2	2	4	1	5,000		
Chester.....	58		3	2	4	2				
Malcolm.....										
Ottawa.....	86		17	2	12	3				
Brooklyn.....	170	1	9			10	1	2,000	1	600
Victor.....	158	2	3	1	14	4	2	7,000	1	250
Montezuma.....	127	1	5		1	1	1	3,500	1	900
Millersburgh.....	128		4		7		1	300	1	1,000
Marengo Station.....	142	4	29		7	3	1	3,500	1	1,500
Marengo Circuit.....	161	1	40	2	34	12			1	700
Pleasant Hill.....	181	5	18		12	7	5	9,500	1	400
Total.....	2056	21	268	17	109	77	18	\$ 45,353	9	\$6,150

RECAPITULATION

KEOKUK.....	2480	27	114	21	101	55	27	\$ 73,100	8	\$ 8,900
BURLINGTON.....	2696	31	194	21	167	78	32	111,000	8	18,625
MUSCATINE.....	2574	24	328	26	144	104	26	62,700	6	3,900
MOUNT PLEASANT.....	3101	44	295	53	245	60	36	84,750	8	6,775
OSKALOOSA.....	2845	25	263	34	191	51	26	55,100	9	9,125
ALBIA.....	3605	44	288	45	213	59	27	42,800	7	6,350
NEWTON.....	2056	21	268	17	109	77	18	15,353	9	6,150
Total this year.....	19,357	216	1750	217	1170	484	192	\$ 444,203	55	\$45,064
Total last year.....	18,348	178	2174	220	939	549	163	\$ 399,800	56	\$30,161
Increase.....	1,009	38			131		29	\$ 44,403		\$14,903
Decrease.....			424	3		65			1	

CONFERENCE FOR 1870.

DISTRICT.

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	Churches	Sunday Schools.											
\$12 00	\$65 00	\$25 00	\$15 25		\$19 75		1	20	180	600	\$ 900	\$ 800	\$125
10 00	64 65	13 00	8 70				5	53	303	582	750	750	90
1 00	40 00						3	36	200	250	600	600	75
	21 35						6	12	291	200	600	600	80
	17 45	14 00				1 05	2	18	180	300	900	521	75
5 00	35 10		2 40	1 00		5 00	1	4	30		500	432	50
							3	27	200	240			
	27 50	4 00		5 50	5 00	50	3	23	170	300	600	600	60
2 16	41 00	10 00	2 00	55	35 00	1 05	1	19	150	1000	800	800	90
					30 00		4	30	100	300	800	750	80
10 00	60 00		3 50	3 00		6 00	1	15	181	240	800	735	74
4 00	45 00						3	10	80	600	375	375	80
10 50	49 60	105 40	5 00	12 00	20 00	5 00	1	20	200	175	800	800	120
5 71				2 40	1 65		3	30	110	450	600	600	60
8 00	60 25				6 00		4	48	319	800	925	800	80
\$68 37	\$527 8	\$171 40	\$36 85	\$24 45	\$117 40	\$19 60	41	365	2694	5737	\$9,949	\$9,163	\$1,189

BY DISTRICTS.

\$86 75	\$723 75	\$171 85	\$40 00	\$8 00	\$201 40	\$22 25	39	402	2733	7071	\$11,400	\$10,548	\$1,261
75 65	638 65	313 18	31 40	26 31	173 20	22 25	44	483	3208	7256	10,464	10,218	1,126
144 45	700 97	570 25	46 88	28 26	170 40	42 50	37	445	2960	6334	9,381	8,940	1,032
157 15	745 23	291 30	54 00	14 05	158 41	28 85	37	452	2881	6496	10,949	9,890	1,029
46 25	686 35	269 30	29 35	6 00	50 95	4 60	50	524	3608	3822	11,058	9,884	1,269
124 35	808 75	120 00	29 35	9 50	89 70	28 65	54	481	3361	5773	9,949	9,163	1,129
68 37	527 50	171 40	36 85	24 45	117 40	19 60	41	365	2694	5737	9,466	8,183	1,058
\$682 97	4831 20	1907 28	267 83	116 57	\$961 46	168 70	302	3152	21,445	42,759	\$72,667	\$66,826	\$7,844
930 38	5566 23	1651 06	276 78	114 68	1234 98	203 32	289	3290	21,645	42,049	\$68,563	62,831	7,726
		\$356 22		\$1 89			13			710	\$4,104	\$3,995	\$ 118
\$247 41	\$735 03		\$8 95		\$273 52	\$24 62		148	200				

ADDITIONAL ITEMS.—Received on probation this year, 4,120; into full connection, 2,193; by certificate, 1,460, removed this year by certificate, 1,743; by withdrawal, 242; by expulsion, 91. Raised for Church improvement, \$45,064. Church indebtedness, \$18,574.61. Raised for Freedmen's Aid Society, \$50,06; for Education, \$547,95; for current expenses of Churches, \$8,733.32; for rent of Parsonages, \$2,958. Total claims of Preachers, \$72,677; of Presiding Elders, \$8,246. Total receipts of Pastors, \$66,826; of Presiding Elders, \$7,844. Total deficiency of Preachers, \$5,851; of Presiding Elders, \$402. Average attendance in Sabbath Schools, 16,223; expenses this year, \$6,828.35; S. S. Advocates taken, 6,732; S. S. Journals taken, 233; Conversions, 1,223.

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